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Navy Day.

A good many New Yorkers have expressed regret in the last few months that, in the tumult and the shouting over the exploits of our victorious army, the praises of the Navy were too faintly heard. After to-day, we the war was as vital, though not as spectacular, as the part played by their brothers in olive drab.

Jack will be ashore after a long trying voyage; one that was all the more wearing because it consisted, for the most part, in waiting for a fee that never came out until it emerged with the white flug hoisted. It has been the testimony of the British sailors whose wait, although enlivened with the Jutland victory, was wearier was ever harder than idling in the trough of the misty North Sea.

appreciative city will make the home-grudged to him by no honest soul. coming of our sailors so happy that they will not miss the figure which. under ancient circumstances, they their welcomers.

False Fears and Real Dangers.

About once a year the country is favored with an opinion on some pertinent topic by a gentleman who is not only the foremost citizen of Baltimore but who enjoys, at 84, the unimpaired use of a remarkably fine intellect. On Christmas eve he added to his expression of joy over peace a frank comment on false fears and real dangers. This is not the country, he says, for the spread of socialism, a disease which comes only from real grievances. He has no fears about American labor in a land where the working people have intelligence and com-What he does look upon with distrust is a government on the Prussian plan:

"The only apprehension I might have would be with regard to the consolidation of control of the great public interests of the country in the authorities of the Gevernment itself. These interests are vast and wide reaching and control the well being of millions of men, such interests as the railroads and the telegraphs, as well an others. I should be sorry to see these things put under the direction of any Federal Adminis-

ernmental socialization of America;

tries and utilities would form the preponderating interest in any Administion of power. I believe in a division of power and think it best for the country. I should be sorry to see any invasion rate and distinct and each department was made independent of the other."

What James Gibbons fears is the scheme which, pretending to be the Government ownership of utilities, would be in fact the Government ownership of voters.

Farming as an Industry.

Secretary of Agriculture Houston controverts two frequently expressed opinions regarding our agricultural conditions in his latest annual report, The ownership of farms is increasing, he says, and there is no reason for believing that the number of persons sympathies with France. The manifesremaining upon farms will not be suf. Italion of this feeling is shown to-day ficient to meet the economic demands of the country.

It has been generally assumed and represented that tenancy has inand that for that reason "we are wit-The bast census shows that five-eighths

of farms has increased faster than the agricultural population. "The only German, at least not favorable to class not operating farms who could Ailled success. take them up," says Secretary Hous-TON, "were the younger men, and it is the actual attitude of the Spanish tenants has been recruited."

farms has grown with the growth of western nations; it is not national in the population. It is intensified at the character, but is largely provincial, looked back ruefully at the little cafe. present time owing to the suggestion and depends upon the various racial and desire that returned soldiers and elements and upon the demands and many who have been tenants may desires of particular sections. So that have an opportunity to secure farms the desire for the restoration of the I hate to think of the fun'rel crowd; he that he fergits to pass the collection under suitable conditions. Approximately 367,000,000 acres were planted sue in Castile or in some of the southin crops in 1918. This represents only 32 per cent. of the tillable land of the ference elsewhere. nation; in other words, for every 100 tled. It is true that much of the more desirable land, land more easily Canal and the Eastern and Oriental brought under cultivation and near to mated that possibly 85 per cent. of this is not yielding full returns.

There is still room for many more people on farms; but it is also evident that the extension of the farming area will be made with greater expense for clearing, preparation, drainage and irrigation and that profitable operation will involve improved market armagements and high discrimination in the selection of crops. Success in farming requires business ability, and the farmer must consider his balance as much as any other business man. This means that only as many will stay on farms or will need to stay on them as may be necessary to supply what the consumer will take at prices which will justify production.

Secretary Houston says that the number of individuals remaining in fancy, no such complaints will be the farming industry "will in the long made, for this is the Navy's day and run continue to adjust itself roughly the town will turn out to welcome to the economic demand and will inhome the men whose part in winning crease as it expands or as relative economies are effected." He evidently does not agree with those persons who say there should be no limit to the number in agriculture or to the production of crops, and he has appar ently little sympathy with the ideal ists who are proclaiming the "back to the farm" crusade.

Secretary Daniels.

The proud satisfaction which will fill the heart of the Secretary of the than that of Sims's men, that no job Navy to-day as he reviews our splendid ships of war from the bridge of the venerable Mayflower will have We are confident that to-day this been honestly earned and will be

Criticised much and sometimes justly, often at loggerheads with the seasoned professional experts of the would expect to find foremost among service, occasionally tickling the humorous sense nlike in Rear Admiral the eccentricity of some of his earlier DANIELS has nevertheless gained place steadily in the esteem of the country since hostilltles began,

No Cabinet member has worked harder for the national cause, or with more praiseworthy self-restraint in the matter of pretentions activity. Noody in that quarter has profited more quickly and progressively by the lesons of experience. And in the evening light of the war the earnestness of his patriotic purpose and the magclearly visible. \$

if it can add to the pleasure of his Hudson River to know that such is aspects for the honorably discharged hearing to such desire from the pertimes has not been the most reticent among the candid critics of some of his policies and methods, but now views his achievement in the balance sheet, that small increment of deserved recognition shall certainly be JOSEPHUS DANIELS'S to-day.

Restoring Gibraltar to Spain.

The recovery of the Rock of Gibraltar by Spain has been frequently advanced as an issue by Spanish poll-The venerable Cardinal, who has ticians in recent years; but the projwatched American progress for more ect has been so generally looked upon years than most of us live, gives his as a lever for putting some one into reasons bluntly for opposing the gov- office or holding him in office that it has seldom assumed any degree of "The men employed in these indus- national importance. The matter comes up now, according to a Paris ington. despatch, as an act of restitution tration and would tend to a perpetua- which the Pence Conference will be asked to make in favor of Spain.

It might be interesting to know upon what Premier ROMANONES by the administrative department of would base his claim. He is, in fact. Honor, the Government upon the rights of the asking the reward which Germany other departments. The builders of our had offered for Spain's aid, either Government provided for a Government through intervention in the war or of check and balance-a Government in through favorable neutrality. It is which the executive, the legislative and true that the offer was not made to the judicial departments were kept sepa- Senor Romanones but to his political opponent, and that it included also much of the north African coast. The offer, however, was serjously considenced candles left over to keep one ered by the Spanish imperialists, who were almost to a man pro-German, and it was looked upon at the time as one of the strong factors in aligning Spanish influence early in the war against the Allies.

That German propaganda was not more powerful in Spain was due to the peculiarities of the Spanish political situation. It was opposed by a Republican-Socialist party, which became ardently pro-Aily through its

in the revolutionary movement in Catalonia. Then imperialism is not a popular measure in Spain; the people have generally awakened to find creased at the expense of ownership out that the imperialistic projects were the schemes of ambitious pollnessing an agricultural deterioration." ticians to help their own interests Tenancy presents some aspects which This was shown in the violent oppomight cause anxiety, but the situation sition, which came near developing actually does not warrant the pessi- into a revolutionary movement, to the mistle conclusion that has been drawn, expedition a few years ago under-Tenancy made its greatest gains in taken to gain control of northern Mothe thirty years from 1880 to 1910, rocco. But none of these opposing elements was strong enough to overof the farms and 68 per come of the come entirely the influence of Berlin,

The sum. operated by the owners. The number until the defeat of German became apparent a nation, if not openly pro

> It would be difficult to say what largely from them that the class of people is regarding the recovery of Gibraltar. There is no public opinion sauntering out of a dimly lighted saloon likes it. The interest in land for homes and in Spain as it is understood in the on Hudson avenue. Rock of Gibraltar may be a vital isern provinces and a matter of indif-

Mediterranean but to Egypt, the Sues divisions of the British Empire. On sions France, too, has a special inroccan incident still fresh in national memory she will not consider for an instant a possibility that this stronghold might fell into hands antagonistic to her interests.

The Y. M. C. A. Properly Asks for

an Investigation. The decision of Dr. John R. Morr. the chief executive of the Young Men's Christian Association, to ask for an official investigation of complaints his openions." made by soldiers is one that will be gratifying to the friends of the Y. M. amined complaints, "the temper of League of Nations and I'm bound t some of the returning men is heated; admit I see many advantages in it." the public is eager for information."

In Chaplain Eprop's summary other side of the picture Mr. Engor tions and freedom of the seas," of Y. M. C. A. workers.

It may be that the repetition and a great interest in anything that myst and jack tar and civilian observer by ganization, could not afford to over- that don't seem to know nothin' about administrative conceptions, Secretary court. The public, which contributed sech like." money was well spent.

The Inspector General's office is best channel of impartial investigation, and we think the War Department should take up the task as soon as it is asked to do so.

for Mr. WILSON.

visit to the fleet assembled in the has its humorous as well as its serious his hip pocket, "I don't jest rec'iset o he opinion of a newspaper which at soldier or sailor. Some are lucky of Brazil, her Argentine, her Mexienough to return immediately and per Central America, ner Spain, refortunate, must content themselves been in this ere war. The nations the with a sort of half and half adorn- yearn most for a League of Nations

Now the Koreans call to the Presi-

Among the Christmas presents thich will not be brought back to be ing his head solemnly. changed are General Peasured's Disinguished Service Medal and Lieutennt-Colonel Whittleser's Medal of

remember Hoover and the comforting old age ye've got another thought co words of the Oriental-sage: "This too

We have it from the director of pur-States and keep a taper burning for in more than her share of 'em, !

knows it simply as "shore leave."

Crossing the Lines.

which necessarily is a synopsis of from determined facts, there is more to beg your pardon for askin' such hint of inefficiency than of actual selfish question scandal. Excessive prices, lack of supplies, congestion of workers or want of them, lack of spontanelty on asked mockingly. "Kin ye afford to take the part of some secretaries, assumption that the soldler's life was nat- of mankind?" urally demoralizing-these are the principal complaints; and it must be use of talking nonsense? It seems to to promote the glory of God and the noted that they apply only to some sectors and some individuals. On the in the world to-day are a League of Nafound testimony as to the devotion

complaints have conspired to bring upon the Y. M. C. A. n bulk of criti-Y. M. C. A., or any other worthy orlook the opportunity to have its day in it is the navy, 'specially admirals and

healthful travel.

Bosron, December 24.

acreage of all land in farms were and for this reason Spain remained GREAT WORLD THOUGHTS sessions alone by herself, so she wel- INWOOD'S MAIL SERVICE OF EPH SMALL.

> Why Does a Novellst Understand the Freedom of the Seas When England is prob'bly the only nation that It's a Puzzle to an Admiral? ain't fooled by all this translation of the To THE EDITOR OF THE SUN-Sir: I listens to it an' encourages it, an' the met Eph Small last night as he came

"You're going home early." I said. He "The period of mournin's begun al-frenzy. Ye hear the shoutin' an' the ready," he remarked. "John Barleycorn hallelujahs an' the psaim singin', but was a merry old soul in his prime, but ye notice that the master of the cere- any other in the city. Just now the they ain't much left of him now. An won't look nateral to nobody."

"It's hard for an old dog to learn new tricks," said I, "but you've got to come to it, Eph. You've got to realize we're living in a new era. Times have is the loudest pealm singer in the hull Great Britain has held Gibraltar changed. Look about you and observe acres now tilled 300 acres may be for more than two hundred years; to the old landmarks passing. As a peo utilized when the country is fully set. her the rock is not only a key to the ple we Americans have a great deal to learn. We have been insular and selfish. But under the leadership of our distinguished President we are now gothe markets, is in use; but it is esti- account of her north African posses- affairs. Animated by the spirit of sering to play a worthy part in the world's vice and love of humanity, we shall be terest in Gibraltar, and with the Mo- the dominating influence in making the world a better place to live in."

> Eph looked at me critically for a me ment and then slowly winked his left eye "Let's have another," he said, "and if ye don't mind me sayin' so. I'd advise ye to cut out the hard staff; it don't

eem to agree with ye." I have made it a point never to take offence at Eph's criticisms. Indeed, it would be quite useless to procest, he remarked to me one day last week "This is a free country an' ev'rybody but Democrats has a right to express

little table in the back of the room "Eph." I said after our highballs had C. A. As Chaplain Epror says in his been placed before us, "I've been thinkreport to Dr. Morr, after having ex- ing a good deal lately of the proposed "So do I." replied Eph, slowly stir-

ring the contents of his glass; "but," he queried in his whimsical drawl, "do ye see any advantages in it for America complaints rather than a conclusion "Perhaps," he hastened to add, "I ought "Not at all." I maswared imperturbs

> bly. "I'm speaking as an American." "An' do ye feel safe in doin' so?" h the risk of bein' arrested as an enem "Be serious," I urged.

me that the two subjects of greates interest to civilized people everywher guess ye're right," he replie-

thoughtfully, "people allus seem to take

exaggeration of a few well founded Giant an the Wild Man from Borneo. fice 'em. Pus'nally I rec'lect the Cardiff "I notice," he continued after a paus-"that the only people in England that cism altogether unwarranted by the knows what freedom of the seas mean facts; and the only way to learn the is novelists. Leastways they ain't afraid truth, as Chaplain Epace says, is to to speak up. When a feller's been writer bring it out regardless of results. The in fiction all his life ye ain't a-gol to stump him by askin' him what free dom of the seas means. The only cla

so generously to all the organizations "Speaking to: more of Nations than in terested in a League of Nations than in freedom of the seas." I interrupted, fear diers, would be giad to learn that its ing he might press me to details on my conception of the latter theme; for, al though I have always found it spiritu pointed out by Chapiain Epror as the ally unlifting to espouse broad and be effect, theories, I have sometimes difficult to discuss them intelligently

with practical men. The desire of the nations for an in ernational league," I continued, "is a pontaneous recognition of the truth that This is Boxing Day in England and mankind should not exist as a mernitude of the job he has done are the largest box of hospitality is ready collection of heterogeneous tribes, but

rather as one large family." The question of civilian equipment replied Eph, producing his cut, plug from completely to "cits," while others, less; China, her any other country that all ment. It no longer causes astonish, keep the peace is them that is jest now ment to detect a pair of neatly creased so impov'rished in man power an' wealth: trousers hanging stiffly beneath mills that they ain't in no condition to scrap tary khaki overcoat, or to see the among themselves her with pobody elecshort blue jacket of the sailor cover- God knows I don't blame 'em. But the ing an otherwise perfect civilian out. United States ain't in no sech sitoo: These are some of the minor tion, not by a hellova sight. She don't need no League of Nations no more than

I need a third ear." "Perhaps not," said L "but you've just dent for self-determination. Even a admitted that many other nations do hermit nation is attracted from its Why don't you look at the question in seclusion by an idealistic programme, a broad light? Do we not owe a duty to the rest of the world? You've often One of the few large capitals that expressed a warm admiration for Lloyd George. Now he, together with every

sermanent peace."

"D'ye know," he asked with a tench of sadness and envy in his voice, "Twe often wished I was an Englishman There's a country that any man could se proud to live for and die for, an' if In attacking the cold turkey to-day ye think I'm gittin' scutimental in me in'. England never loses her head. Her sons look after her interests fust. Last theoretical barne by the flag is always company which has been organized by the an' all the time; she knows men; she's and exclusively placed on it. War Trade Board at the direction of the fit to rule bekus she don't never left her. That being so, when a flag is disfit to rule bekus she don't never let her chase and storage of the War Depart- uplifters an dreamers git mixed up in ment that our forces in France have runnin' the gover'ment. She knows the enough candles left over to keep one value of her poets an' psychol gists an' surning continuously for 5,250 years, the guys that call themselves friends Let us bring them back to the United of lumanity, an' jest now she's produc all those centuries before the journal Reeps 'em in private life, where they can of the first Constitution, in the State sing an guess an uplift to their hearts' content without interferin' with things they wa'n't never intended to know nuth-When a Hohenzollern abandons in about. When it comes-to runnin' the property worth \$225,000,000 there is empire she uses practical men with to doubt about his urgent desire for brains, who ain't got no delusions about

"I don't get the point of your argu-Some people vaguely call it ment," I insisted "You admit her states-"Heaven." Others speak of it more men are men of brains, and yet they concretely as "Paradise." But the ell want a League of Nations. Doesn't allor very practically and specifically that tend to prove that such a league

would be a good thing"'
"Eggzackly," cried Eph, hammering The Lady of New York Harbor is the table with his flat. "It proves be hostess whom every sailor boy is youd a doubt that a League of Nations would be a good thing for old England. But you an' me ain't arguin' this ques-tion from the standpoint of Englishmen, be we? England comes out of this ere To the Editor of The Sun-Sur, Evi- had before; she'll git some if not all sintment of Representative Phelan of of the African colonies that belonged Massachusetts as chairman of the House to Germany an' prob'bly an island an' Banking and Currency Committee, an archipelago here an' there; she's Probably the only reason a Northern strengthened her holt on all her own man was given this position was be- possessions; she owns half the earth, Cause he had only two months to serve. an' she's made up her mind to be content with jest that. But she don't want tent with jest that. But she don't want to be compelled to protect all her pos-

comes this 'ere league that will do it for her. For this 'ere League of Nations is callated to see to it that the peace treaty signed at Veryenles stays put. residents of Inwood, just above Wash

have been agitating for improved posta facilities for more than a year, but up more highfalutin it gits the better she to the present their wishes have not been acceded to. "Jest now she's like yer first class The crying need of the community revivalist, who helps work up his audiin which there are between 15,000 and ence to the highest pitch of releegus 20,000 persons, is a branch post office in the region of 207th street to serve a section which is growing faster than

matters.

branch post office.

country's cause

of 191T.

products.

dividual to national."

NEW YORK, December 25.

PLUCK DOWN A STAR?

dier Comes Back?

our old employees are coming back we

re wondering whether we should take

star off the flag each time an old em-

playee comes back. It doesn't seem

us that this was the purpose of the ser

show the public how many men from

cause their relatives have come back.

GUTTA PERCHA & RUBBER MPG. Co.,

TRADE BRIEFS.

A new mining law is being contemplated

for Mexico in line with the general desire

whership of petroleum deposits from "in-

In 1913 Mexico drew 48 per cent, of its

in exchange 76 per cent, of its exports.

The present indications are that as soon

more rapid rate than that of the past five

Oil rakes are arriving in Sweden from

A list of gas companies in Japan can be obtained from the Bureau of Foreign and

Domestic Commerce or its district

Russians to holp themselves.

many good years to come yet."

#11k# \$48.000,000.

Politiken of Copenhagen says: "Among

onsiderably decreased during the war and

estigation of labor conditions in Cuban idustries a Presidential decree was pro-

nulgated directing all owners of facto

Stances as would tend adequately to pro-

set Cuban workmen from industrial acci-

sagen is becoming some and more sout

There are about 850 families, or about 4,500 people, who have no apartments. Owing to the difficulties of getting the usual building materials of stone it has

Argentina and will be distributed to the

where of milk cows on the basis of

The President's message

speaks very plainty of past "to facilitate the transition" of

NEW YORK, December 25.

AMEDER BRADONE.

monies never lets himself git so het up mail facilities are not much further advanced than they were in the days when the Dyckmans were the best "Jest at present John Bull is holdin' known residents in the section and one of the greatest revivals ever known. when inwood was just a hamlet. That's An' yer Uncle Sam-God help him!good many years ago, of course, but t is illustrative of how far behind the blamed congregation." SIMON CREET. times the postal facilities are up here. ALBANY, December 24. At present the nearest branch post

ZION NOT FOR JEWS ALONE. Dr. Pereira Mendes Proposes Neutral Zone About Jerusalem.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE SUN-Sir: Vertilles, according to a Paris despatch, is being considered by the Foreign Affairs Committee of the Chamber of Deputies down to the Heights to attend to postal as a proper capital of the proposed Society of Nations, the bill being backed by the Deputies from Versailles and the Department of Seine-et-Oise. "It proposes to make Versailles the permanent centre of the proposed Society of Na-

Why not Jerusalem? At the great meeting of Protestants Catholics, members of the Greek Church and Jews at the Metropolitan Opera House to celebrate "Jerusalem Redeemed" from Turkish power. it was suggested that Jerusalem be made the capital of the League of Nations.

The associations of Jerusalem, o Zion, do indeed give it a prestige in the eyes of all Catholics, Postestants, the Greek Church, Jews and Mchammedans. And it would be in harmony with that movement, now attracting attention but so little understood by Jew and Gentile. called Zionism, a movement meant t secure the common weal of all peoples

and the peace of the world. Zion, according to the Basel pro gramme of the founders of the modern movement which goes by that name, aims only at the establishment of a egal home for Jews in Palestine. But Zionism as proclaimed by the prophets now taking away the service flag beof tre Bible means Palestine a homeland for the Jews, not at all only for heir materialities but only as a means plift of man, or to quote the Bible words, "In order that through thee [Israel] shall all the nations of the arth be blessed."

The establishment of a neutral gone uch as Palestine would be, around Jerusalem or Zion, as capital of the vorld's League of Nations, would thus selp to solve the rising question, "Whe

hall have Palestine? The importance of having a city o oly associations as the capital of a League of Nations is evidenced by the act that there can be no lasting League f Nations unless those nations are ague with God, that is, Richteousness Minister Spanish and Portuguese Con gregation. NEW YORK, December 25.

THE GIRL AND THE SAILOR Case Where Policewomen Were Not Paragons of Dignity.

TO THE HOLTON OF THE SUN-SUL FO he last few days I have been reading he comments made by sailors and girl n officious policewomen, and I think some cases they are justified. I had speriences of my own, being stopped policewomen and had to tell them ly whole pedigree, but that is not what delivered. The price will be \$120 to \$13

want to relate. per metric ton. Last summer two sailors, friends of me, were on furlough and they were procurable the 1918 fall crep of wild cotting in one of the public parks with Two policewomen came up all pengee fabrics are waven-in south and chased the girls away and then sat eastern Manchurla, exceeds that of 1017. The omission could not be helped, by 2 1-3 per cent, and is more than twice as large as the corresponding crop in 1016. (iii) (iidn't do any good.)

the the said policewomen. It about year before the war, and the value of the on minutes my two friends were suffine machiners, stemsia and electrical apparament to them and chatting with them the imported from America showed an ins If they had known thornall their lives, crease of 1,000,000 guilders over the imports from England and Germany in 1913.

Coal Sizes and Coal Apportionment.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE SUN-SIET I am | 20285. informed by the dealer who has always. The restrictions placed by England and supplied me with coal that he will be other countries on the export of wool and anable to deliver to me may other than woollen cloth in connection with the war affair!

The

such as we require for our use His instructions from the Fuel Adhave not formally offered the freedom of the city to Mr. Wilson is Wash- other English statesman of note, favors one. As I understood that all such district or cooperative offices by referring other English statesman of note, favors one. As I understood that all such district or cooperative offices by referring restrictions had been removed and as to File No. 9463. ermanent peace."

my business is and always has been conFold drained his glass to the last drop secret in the "essential class." I should "To good old England," he said, shak- sceatly appreciate enlightenment

A SUBSCRIPER. NEW YORK, December 18.

How to Hang a Flag.

To THE EDITOR OF THE SUS -SEC That do of a flag which presents the blue eld to the left of the beholder is unant- 870. ously considered to be the face or The War Trads Board of the United out side of it, so much so that any States Russian Bureau, incorporated, is a slayed borizontally in view of an audince or of a congregation, which should c shown, its front or us other side?

The Sca Kings. the sea hings of the long ago. Who sailed the storing deep long black ships of many sweeps,

troubled in their at They heard the rush of mighty keels.
That plaughed the ocean's breast,
The rearing tides on armored sides, And left their ancient rest. They stood upon the speeding prove That clove the creaming brine,

hey drank the flame from beiching go As once they guarded wine, ney scaped in anomer to the sparks That from the anvils new. And still their wonder grew. They gazed upon the fron men

That awarmed upon the decks. Their steady eyes and jutting jaws.
And proud unbending neeks. olumbia's sallor sons, the flower And glory of the fleer, Who daily make a jest of death. And never know defeat. then from their yellow looks they cast

The crowns of ruddy gold nd back from depths below. Their hellow voices rolled: Hall! Hall! the conquerry of the Sea kings no more are we. the U.S. navy boys are now The monarche of the sea."

KIDDIES OF UPTON A Fast Growing Part of the City Try-TROOPS HAVE TREE ing to Get a Post Office. To THE EDITOR OF THE SUN-Sir: The

ington Heights, in the Dyckman valley, Several Thousand of Them Make Merry in 71st Regi-

ment Armory.

Womenfolk of 77th Division Give the Youngsters a

The Seventy-seventh Division, nine egiments of alumni of Camp Upton, age wrought in Belgium by the Geroffice is the Washington Bridge station. s not the one oftenest named as New man armies is described in a cable. at Amsterdam avenue and 180th street. York's Own. But it is New York's gram received by the Food Administra It is on Washington Heights, about two miles from the centre of the Inwood own, none more so, and it likes to have tration from Herbert Hoover, who with section. What Inwood needs is somethe fact kept in mind. thing nearer home, something more

Memorable Day.

convenient to its residents and the business men who have not the time to go months of the war. It may not hold conditions in this liberated country, our divisional record for number of The matter of a branch post office for Inwood has been hanging fire for over a year now. It seems that twelve its clothes off; if it doesn't, though, it to-day that hereafter 180,000 tons or months ago the facts were put before would admire to see whatever division Postmaster Patten and he promised to does. At home here, through its shipped to Belgium each month. A. take them up with the authorities in womenfolk and their home auxiliaries this programme will require 160,000 Washington. But if he did the Federal authorities must have pigeonholed the of the American Army Association, the deadweight tons of shipping in additionation. Inwood is still without a division looks after its own. division looks after its own.

There was a Christmas tree yester day in the Seventy-first Regiment Armory, a noble, towering tree, with made to the Shipping Board, breastworks of red ribboned presents What Is a House to Do When a Solerected around it. Other attractions were there. Santa, of course, came TO THE EDITOR OF THE SUN-Sir: A! first. But he had thriving competifuring the war this concern has exhib-The southwest corner of the tion. spacious hall was where the magician ited a service flag. Now that some of

and his rostrum. The troupe trained dogs and its master had the

Punch and Judy There Too. In the northeast there was-by the vice flag. Our belief is that it is to hades of Charles Dickens, there was were, Punch and Judy and the this concern had served in this great Hansman and the rest of 'em; the war. In private life some homes are genuine dear old show in the regulae most popular side attraction. We are very proud of the fact that The northwest corner is the en in this small concern a fairly large num-

ber entered the service, and therefore rance corner. All afternoon in the outside a winding double line want to show the world that men in f grannies and aunts and hig sisters our employ did make sacrifices for their brothers, not to mention almost inmerable mothers, shepherded the Seventy-seventh Division's very own -ranging in age between 1 and, say 4-into the armory to enjoy the Vic festival. And how they enjoyed How they did eat it up! A present and a box of candy for each and The declared exports during October to ll, distributed under Santa's eye by he United States from Bradford, England, his badged and uniformed staff of unted to \$546,570, as compared with sand during the corresponding month

tht, young assistants. Of these assistants Ginger was the A knowing chap He stands maybe nine bands high, and e likes kids fine, because some few beng to him-the grandchildren of Robert Bacon, former Ambassador to France. (Mrs. Bacon was chairman and mistress of ceremonies vesterday, by the way.) Well, and Ginger was wearing jingle bells and his shaggy rean and white calico winter cont, and he drew Santy around the hall in his as transportation facilities are improved our Mexican trade will increase at an even cart, while Santy personally passed out gifts as far as he was able, and any where up to 3,000 small younkits usged and kissed what parts of Ginger they could reach.

Yes; if you must know, he is a pony

Ob. It was Christmas true simon oure Christmas, but for just one thing. According to the most reliable estimates An important thing, too-one of the two most important kiddles know Talking about it (they all talked about

the of my sailor friends is inclined the sail of the s wandered around through the crowd, which kiddles it was whose duddles furnaces in Belgium third five would not return ever, ever, Mercifully some of them were still too little to realize. And none of them could to end the Belgian steel industry resist the tree and the other assuagements of sorrow. It was the older the interfered with, and the ster perative offices by referring to file No. faces whereon the casualty list was promise of retribution by Presider

But don't you believe for one in-

The kids were tagged. They had to s has plenty of egg coal in his yard make the country self-supporting in the be. How would a special Grand Jury production of weel, says the issue of panel of Philadelphia lawyers decreated a sudden change of bear mobilize 3.000 inventees and restored a sudden change of bear file instructions from the Fuel Ad- A list of dealers in building materials on to the proper grown ups if no- refugees in Belgium, driven out size coal can be delivered only for home in Mexico can be obtained at the Bureau tody had thought of using tags? And northern France by the German mobilize 3.000 fuveniles and restore then every one, big folks and little They have been cared for out of the folks, was rendezvoused by regiments, meagre stores of the Helgians and be Expans from the part of Puerto Ca-escutcheon beneath the balcony. When They are, however, like bombs ing the first nine months of 1918 showed the Fort Hamilton band played a pigeons in their resolve in the march, you shouldered your broad and their native villages. 510 involves certified at the American con-mate during the 1917 period, having a total value of \$2,633,830, while during the 1818 period the number of involves certiand was 355 with a valuation of \$1,516, ing fondly while young America continuous stream of these

formed in column and paraded. These were the nine regiments; 94th, 305th and 206 Field Artillery; 305th, 306th, 307th and 308th Infantry; 302d Engineers, and the Ammunition done that is humanly posses and Supply trains of like numerals, the present state of When History comes to write their with moving armies the the many questions raised by peace is that the transport of the anditions of the shipping trade of the anditions of the shipping trade of the anditions of the shipping trade of the second state of the shipping trade of the world has been that he tennage of the world has been hapter in the annals of the war, good using every frust and History will take the entire day which to feed the popul it, order up a jug of something plight is hearthreaking

anulating and do a regular job Thousands of Guests There.

that the standard ships built in a burry in America and England will hardly prove lietween 4,000 and 5,000 postcards of satist tory in the long run, so that the tonnoct of neutral countries will have vitation had been sent out, each initing a child of the division to come providing shelter station and, if they liked, bring two adults, and food for them, but like to A new steamship route has been established between Frederikssund, Denmark, in the island of Spaciland, and Grana, on cards were shown at the door and the guests ushered to their right there is no solution to the escutcheons. Members and alumni of that must go on the northeastern coust of Jutland, making a quicker and more direct connection than the present one from Copenhagen. Seventy-first Regiment helped out young women of the floor com-tice, which committee did most German exports of clothes and face an frings were valued in 1913 at about \$11. 000,000, the experts of cotton goods \$100, 000,000, would good \$100. ctainly have its hands full. The acpart of the regiment, meaning men who went overses, no longer an extremely difficult time olica goods \$65,000,000, and was divided up and scattered among As a result of a careful and minute in

number of units. mmittees. Two of Mrs. Bacon's rehabilitation of their work Wives, widows and mothers of ofries, milis and workshops throughout the republic to equip their plants within one canking staff members were Mrs. T. ear with such machinery and safety ap- H. H. Rees and Mrs. W. Sweine, the latter chairman of the floor commitline. Mrs. Bacon's assistants in make a solution of their manifold with as little assistance a the arrangements were Mrs. Paul with as little assistance ar ca, Mrs. Joseph W. Hurden, Mrs. from the outside. They are

embers of the Seventy-first Regi-

ment were under Lieut, Galilard.

Additional 160,000 Tons of

NEEDS OF BELGIUM

HOOVER OUTLINES

Shipping Asked to Carry Relief Supplies.

DADDIES ON THE RHINE RUIN HALTED BY WILSON

Germans Scared After Wides spread Destruction-Horses Almost Exterminated.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 25,-Physical dame William B. Poland, European director It was right into every big action of the Commission for Relief in Ball we fought through the last four glum, has just completed a survey of

On the basis of Mr. Hoover's report consecutive days and nights without the Food Administration announced supplies, including clothing, would be tion to the 340,000 tons now on charter to the relief commission, application for additional tonnage has been

> Mr. Hoover's report on his survey of Belgium says:

"Together with Mr. Poland, European director of the Commission for Relief in Belgium, I have now com plated a survey of the entire Belgian situation as disclosed by the evacuation. The work of the American relie officials in Europe during the last month has been beyond all praise, because they have followed up the re treating army with distributions by one means or another, and there has been no break in the food supply a any point.

Destruction by Germans.

"Prior to the armistice the German army had completely destroyed a zone of railroads and canals some twenmiles wide extending entirely acros-Belgium. After the armistice there was comparatively little destruction of transportation to the rear of this mone and with the rapid rehabilitation of transportation facilities across the one of destruction the problem of distribution of food and of reconstruction can be undertaken with much be difficulty than at present.

"The Germans in their final retreat removed but little of the relief

supplies. "Their action toward the native harvests and cattle in their with drawal differs widely in different areas. The started to take all remaining hogs from the western part of Belgium, except those hidden by the peasants in underground caves After the armistice, however, and with the demoralization of the German army in its final retreat, many of these beasts were abandoned or sol by soldiers to the peasants further back, and in practical results the cattle stealing in the retreat, although during the four years of there has been a great diminutie probably over one-half, in the total number of cattle and hoge. be said almost literaly that horses have disapeared out of Belgium. probably not being 15 per cour of the

original animals left. Blow at Steel Industry.

"Investigation proves that lodge forty have been deliberately destroye.

by the Germans in their determinative

"The glass industry has been but lit-Wilson seems to have saved the conindustry except for very few mines stant that this was any lugubrious although actual explosives and wire were laid in place for the destract of a large number of the mines. "There are some 300 000 French And northern France by the Germans.

roads southward into France and & groups of men, women and children. pulling their carts and traiging through the cold and wind rower ! all persuasion to wait in Belgian villages until their

be organised.
"The Americans of the mission are working tist human migrations in Enra

"One of the great diffi-Belgians lies in the enfo circulation imposed upon Germans This correct millions of paper motory a to the Government.
"The Helgian Government

taking hold, the Delman materials are available and of Belgium was never bette ad Derby, Mrs. Monroe Robinson, dependent upon conti-Mrs. Charles Cornell, Mrs. William ment financial advance urran and Mrs. Rees. The assisting vision of imports pendick is sembers of the Seventy-first Regi-